i have been listening to x m radio for about 1 and 1/2 years now and when they said they were coming out with instant traffic and weather a was really impressed because as a truck driver going into major cities that they offer traffic alert this helps out because i can look for alternate routes to avoid backups where as the local channels if you can pick them up only broadcast at the top of the hour or when something major happens i support xm radio have it in my truck and in my auto also